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METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM)	
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APPEAL BRIEF UNDER BOARD RULE § 41.37

In support of the Notice of Appeal filed September 12, 2008, and further to Board Rule 41.37, Appellants present this brief and enclose herewith the fee of \$510.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(c).

This Appeal responds to the June 12, 2008, final rejection of claims 13-30.

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I. Real Party in Interest

SONY CORPORATION is the real party in interest.

II. Related Appeals and Interferences

There are currently no other appeals or interferences, of which appellant, appellant's legal representative, or assignee are aware, that will directly affect or be directly affected by or have a bearing on the Board's decision in the pending appeal.

III. Status of Claims

Claims 13-30 are rejected.

Claims 1-12 are canceled.

Claims 13-30 are being appealed.

IV. Status of Amendments

No amendments have been filed subsequent to the final Office Action of June 12, 2008.

V. Summary of Claimed Subject Matter

a. Independent Claim 13

Independent claim 13 recites an information processing system. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 10, lines 18-20; Fig. 1, reference numbers 1-6). The information processing system comprises a data storage apparatus for storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, a plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures, the data storage apparatus providing the plurality of thumbnail pictures and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs to a first viewing apparatus and a second viewing apparatus. (*See, e.g.,*

Specification, pp. 22, lines 11-17 and p.24, line 4 - p.25, line 8; Fig. 13, reference number 28). The information processing system comprises a connection apparatus for connecting the first viewing apparatus and the second viewing apparatus over a network. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 10, line 17 - p. 11, line 5; Fig. 1, reference number 1). The first viewing apparatus comprises a first display unit for displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures, wherein the first cursor is moved on the first display unit based on a user input. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 26, line 1 - p. 27, line 19, Fig. 14, reference numbers 101 and 153). The first viewing apparatus further comprises a detecting unit for detecting a movement of the first cursor and for specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, line 7 - p. 28, line 20). The first viewing apparatus also comprises a transmitting unit for transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture specified by the detecting unit to the second viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28, lines 8-13). The second viewing apparatus comprises a second display unit for displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a second cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28, lines 14-20). The second viewing apparatus also comprises a receiving unit for receiving the new thumbnail picture URL transmitted by the transmitting unit of the first viewing apparatus, whereby the second display unit is refreshed to display the second cursor in a new location of a new thumbnail picture

associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28, lines 8-13).

b. Independent Claim 16

Independent claim 16 recites an information processing method. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 6, line 8 - p. 7, line 3). The method comprises storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, a plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures in a data storage apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, pp. 22, lines 11-17 and p.24, line 4 - p.25, line 8; Fig. 13, reference number 28). The method comprises providing the plurality of thumbnail pictures and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from the data storage apparatus to a first viewing apparatus and a second viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 25, line 17 - p. 26, line 1; Fig. 12, reference numbers S34, S35, and S54). The method comprises displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a first display unit of the first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 26, lines 2-16; Fig. 14, reference numbers 101 and 151-1 to 151-12). The method comprises displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures on the first display unit. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 26, line 1 - p. 27, line 19; Fig. 14, reference number 153). The method comprises displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a second display unit of the second viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 26, lines 2-19; Fig. 14, reference number 101). The method comprises displaying a

second cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures on the second display unit. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28, lines 4-15 ; Fig. 14, reference number 101).

The method comprises connecting the first viewing apparatus and the second viewing apparatus over a network via a connection apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 10, line 17 - p. 11, line 5; Fig. 1, reference number 1). The method comprises receiving, at the first viewing apparatus, a user input for moving the first cursor. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-6, Figs. 5, reference number 86). The method comprises moving the first cursor on the first display unit based on the received user input. (See, e.g., *Specification*, pp. p. 27, lines 2-6). The method comprises detecting a movement of the first cursor. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, lines 7-12). The method comprises specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-20). The method comprises transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture from the first viewing apparatus to the second viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, line 2 - p. 28, line 13; Fig. 12, S35). The method comprises receiving, at the second viewing apparatus, the new thumbnail picture URL transmitted from first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28, lines 8-13; Fig. 12, S54). The method comprises refreshing the second display unit to display the second cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28 line 4-20).

c. Independent Claim 19

Independent claim 19 recites a first viewing apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 13, lines 11-16; Fig. 5, reference number 4). The first viewing apparatus comprises a receiving unit for receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 24, line 9 - p. 26, line 1; Fig. 5, reference number 89). The first viewing apparatus comprises a first display unit for displaying the plurality thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 26, lines 2-15; Fig. 5, reference number 87 and Fig. 14, reference number 101). The first viewing apparatus comprises a connecting unit for connecting to a second viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 25, lines 10-13; Fig. 5, item 89 and Fig. 12, item S33). The first viewing apparatus comprises an input unit for receiving a user input for moving the first cursor. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-6; Fig. 5, item 86). The first viewing apparatus comprises a detecting unit for detecting a movement of the first cursor and for specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-20). The first viewing apparatus comprises a transmitting unit for transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture specified by the detecting unit to the second viewing apparatus, whereby the second viewing apparatus, upon receiving the new

thumbnail picture URL, refreshes a second display unit to display a second cursor in a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 28 line 4-20).

d. Independent Claim 22

Independent claim 22 recites a viewing method. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 6, line 8 - p. 7, line 3). The viewing method comprises receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, pp. 22, lines 11-17 and p.24, line 4 - p.25, line 8; Fig. 13, reference number 28). The viewing method comprises displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a first display unit. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 26, lines 2-16; Fig. 14, reference numbers 101 and 151-1 to 151-12). The viewing method comprises displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 26, line 20 - p. 27, line 6; Figs. 14, reference number 153). The viewing method comprises connecting to a second viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 10, line 17 - p. 11, line 5; Fig. 1, reference number 1). The viewing method comprises receiving a user input for moving the first cursor. (*See, e.g., Specification*, pp. p. 27, lines 2-6). The viewing method comprises detecting a movement of the first cursor. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-20). The viewing

method comprises specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 27, lines 2-20). The viewing method comprises transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture to the second viewing apparatus, whereby the second viewing apparatus, upon receiving the new thumbnail picture URL, refreshes a second display unit to display a second cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from a first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28 line 4-20).

e. Independent Claim 25

Independent claim 25 recites a second viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 13, lines 11-16; Fig. 5, reference number 4). The second viewing apparatus comprises a receiving unit for receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 24, line 9 - p. 26, line 1; Fig. 5, reference number 89). The second viewing apparatus comprises a second display unit for displaying the plurality thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 26, lines 2-15; Fig. 5, reference number 87 and Fig. 14, reference number 101). The second viewing apparatus comprises a connecting unit for connecting to a first viewing

apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 25, lines 10-13; Fig. 5, item 89 and Fig. 12, item S52). The receiving unit receives a new thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 25, lines 17-21; Fig. 5, item 89 and Fig. 12, item S54). The second display unit refreshes to display the cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 28 line 4-20).

f. Independent Claim 28

Independent claim 28 recites viewing method. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 6, line 8 - p. 7, line 3). The viewing method comprises receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 24, line 9 - p. 26, line 1; Fig. 5, reference number 89). The viewing method comprises displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a second display unit. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 25, line 17 - p. 26, line 16; Figs. 14, reference number 101). The viewing method comprises displaying a cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 26, line 20 - p. 27, line 6; Figs. 14, reference number 153). The viewing method comprises connecting to a first viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus. (*See, e.g., Specification*, p. 10, line 17 - p. 11, line

5; Fig. 1, reference number 1). The viewing method comprises receiving a new thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 25, lines 17-21). The viewing method comprises refreshing the second display unit to display the cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus. (See, e.g., *Specification*, p. 28 line 4-20).

VI. Grounds of Rejection to be Reviewed on Appeal

Whether claims 13-30 are unpatentable under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2003/0220995 to Hitaka et al. ("*Hitaka*") in view U.S. Patent No. 6,272,484 to Martin et al. ("*Martin*").

VII. Argument

a. Rejection of claims 13-30 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a)

The Board should reverse the Examiner's rejection of claims 13-30 in view of *Hitaka* and *Martin*.

Appellants claim a method where movement of a first cursor on a first display is detected, and a new thumbnail picture is specified. A URL of the new thumbnail picture is then transferred to a device having a second display, which is refreshed to display a second cursor on the second display at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the URL.

Hitaka discloses a system in which a user can use a personal computer to send photos to a photo site and to order photos from a print site. [125]. Upon receiving an

order start confirmation, the print site acquires a thumbnail image from the photo site server. [332]. After the thumbnail image is acquired, the print site displays the image select dialog 4400 shown in FIG. 43 in step S4207. [332]. However, the dialog box is displayed on the display of the user's PC. See, [128] ("The print site sends, to the user PC, a dialog used to display the acquired thumbnail image and prompt the user to input detailed print information"). The user can then use this dialog box to enter further details about the order. [325].

The Examiner acknowledges, "Hitaka . . . does not explicitly show refreshing the second display unit to display the second cursor at a new location." (Final Office Action at p. 7).

Martin discloses a method for managing electronic documents. Abstract. In *Martin*, thumbnail representations of these documents can be created. Col 7, lines 22-25. A user can then move cursor 509 to select any of the thumbnails displayed. col. 8, lines 6-7; Fig. 5. The electronic document can then be displayed by, for example, opening of refreshing a browser window. Col 12 lines 27-31.

If cursor 509 is considered as the first cursor, in *Martin*, selecting a thumbnail by moving cursor 509 (first cursor) does not cause another cursor (second cursor) in another device to be displayed at an associated thumbnail. If cursor 509 is considered as the second cursor, in *Martin*, the thumbnail selected by cursor 509 (second cursor) is selected by the user on the second device and has no association with a thumbnail selected by another cursor (first cursor) moved by a user on the first device.

In the Advisor Action, the Examiner asserts that the act of moving a curser and double clicking, in *Martin*, teaches a second curser as claimed. This is incorrect. The

act of double clicking, in *Martin*, does not teach a “second cursor” as recited in claim 16. Claim 16 recites “a second cursor. . . on a second display unit.” Moreover, Claim 16 recites that the second display unit is “a second display unit of the second viewing apparatus.” In *Martin*, however, both the movement of the curser and the double clicking occur within window 501, as both the curser 509 and the thumbnails 513A-F are located in the window. See, Fig. 5.

Firstly, even if the Examiner were correct that double clicking is a second curser, the double clicking in *Martin* is clearly not on a second display unit of a second device, as the curser and the double clicking occur in the same window. Secondly, even if the Examiner were correct that the double clicking in *Martin* teaches a second curser on a second screen, which is clearly not correct, the claimed invention requires more than just refreshing a screen to display a second curser. Claim 16, for example, requires “refreshing the second display unit **to display the second cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.**” (Emphasis added). Accordingly, *Martin* and *Hitaka* alone or in combination fail to teach or suggest each and every limitation of the claimed invention, and Appellant’s claims clearly distinguish over the teachings of *Martin* and *Hitaka*. Moreover, these clear differences between the claimed invention and *Martin* and *Hitaka* would not have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art.

b. Conclusion

For the reasons given above, pending claims 13-30 are allowable and reversal of the Examiner’s rejection is respectfully requested.

To the extent any extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is required to obtain entry of this Appeal Brief, such extension is hereby respectfully requested. If there are any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17 which are not enclosed herewith, including any fees required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, please charge such fees to Deposit Account 06-0916.

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VIII. Claims Appendix to Appeal Brief Under Rule 41.37(c)(1)(viii)

13. An information processing system comprising:

a data storage apparatus for storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, a plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures, the data storage apparatus providing the plurality of thumbnail pictures and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs to a first viewing apparatus and a second viewing apparatus;

a connection apparatus for connecting the first viewing apparatus and the second viewing apparatus over a network;

the first viewing apparatus comprising:

a first display unit for displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures, wherein the first cursor is moved on the first display unit based on a user input;

a detecting unit for detecting a movement of the first cursor and for specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor; and

a transmitting unit for transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture specified by the detecting unit to the second viewing apparatus; and

the second viewing apparatus comprising:

a second display unit for displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a second cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures; and

a receiving unit for receiving the new thumbnail picture URL transmitted by the transmitting unit of the first viewing apparatus, whereby the second display unit is refreshed to display the second cursor in a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.

14. The information processing system of claim 13, wherein, when enlarging a thumbnail picture selected by the first cursor on the first display unit,

the first viewing apparatus sends a thumbnail picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture to the data storage apparatus;

the data storage apparatus provides a picture and a picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture URL to the first viewing apparatus;

the first display unit displays the picture; and

the first viewing apparatus transmits the picture URL to the second viewing apparatus.

15. The information processing system of claim 13, wherein at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL is transmitted from the first viewing apparatus to the second viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

16. An information processing method comprising:

storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, a plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures in a data storage apparatus;

providing the plurality of thumbnail pictures and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from the data storage apparatus to a first viewing apparatus and a second viewing apparatus;

displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a first display unit of the first viewing apparatus;

displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures on the first display unit;

displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a second display unit of the second viewing apparatus;

displaying a second cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures on the second display unit;

connecting the first viewing apparatus and the second viewing apparatus over a network via a connection apparatus;

receiving, at the first viewing apparatus, a user input for moving the first cursor;

moving the first cursor on the first display unit based on the received user input;

detecting a movement of the first cursor;

specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor;

transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture from the first viewing apparatus to the second viewing apparatus;

receiving, at the second viewing apparatus, the new thumbnail picture URL transmitted from first viewing apparatus; and

refreshing the second display unit to display the second cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.

17. The information processing method of claim 16, further comprising enlarging a thumbnail picture selected by the first cursor on the first display unit by:

transmitting a thumbnail picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture from the first viewing apparatus to the data storage apparatus;

transmitting a picture and a picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture URL from the data storage apparatus to the first viewing apparatus;

displaying the picture on the first display unit; and

transmitting the picture URL from the first viewing apparatus to the second viewing apparatus.

18. The information processing method of claim 16, further comprising transmitting at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus to the second viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

19. A first viewing apparatus comprising:

a receiving unit for receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

a first display unit for displaying the plurality thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

a connecting unit for connecting to a second viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus;

an input unit for receiving a user input for moving the first cursor;

a detecting unit for detecting a movement of the first cursor and for specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor; and

a transmitting unit for transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture specified by the detecting unit to the second viewing apparatus, whereby the second viewing apparatus, upon receiving the new thumbnail picture URL, refreshes a second display unit to display a second cursor in a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.

20. The first viewing apparatus of claim 19, wherein, when the input unit receives a command to enlarge a thumbnail picture selected by the first cursor on the first display unit,

the transmitting unit transmits a thumbnail picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture to the data storage apparatus;

the receiving unit receives a picture and a picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture URL from the data storage apparatus;

the first display unit displays the picture; and

the transmitting unit transmits the picture URL to the second viewing apparatus.

21. The first viewing apparatus of claim 19, wherein the transmitting unit transmits at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL to the second viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

22. A viewing method comprising:

receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a first display unit;

displaying a first cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures;
connecting to a second viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus;
receiving a user input for moving the first cursor;
detecting a movement of the first cursor;
specifying a new thumbnail picture at a new location of the first cursor; and
transmitting a new thumbnail picture URL associated with the new thumbnail picture to the second viewing apparatus, whereby the second viewing apparatus, upon receiving the new thumbnail picture URL, refreshes a second display unit to display a second cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from a first viewing apparatus.

23. The viewing method of claim 22, further comprising enlarging a thumbnail picture selected by the first cursor on the first display unit by:

transmitting a thumbnail picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture to the data storage apparatus;
receiving a picture and a picture URL associated with the thumbnail picture URL from the data storage apparatus;
displaying the picture on the first display unit; and
transmitting the picture URL to the second viewing apparatus.

24. The viewing method of claim 22, further comprising transmitting at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL to the second viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

25. A second viewing apparatus comprising:

a receiving unit for receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

a second display unit for displaying the plurality thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus and for displaying a cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

a connecting unit for connecting to a first viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus, wherein:

the receiving unit receives a new thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus; and

the second display unit refreshes to display the cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.

26. The second viewing apparatus of claim 25, wherein, when the first viewing apparatus enlarges a thumbnail picture on a first display unit and transmits a picture URL to the second viewing apparatus, the second viewing apparatus receives the picture URL from the first viewing apparatus; acquires a picture associated with the picture URL from the data storage apparatus; and displays the picture on the second display unit.

27. The second viewing apparatus of claim 25, wherein the receiving unit receives at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

28. A viewing method comprising:
receiving a plurality of thumbnail pictures and a plurality of thumbnail picture URLs from a data storage apparatus storing a plurality of pictures, a plurality of picture URLs associated with the plurality of pictures, the plurality of thumbnail pictures associated with the plurality of pictures, and the plurality of thumbnail picture URLs associated with the plurality of thumbnail pictures;
displaying the plurality of thumbnail pictures received from the data storage apparatus on a second display unit;
displaying a cursor at a location of one of the plurality of thumbnail pictures;

connecting to a first viewing apparatus through a network via a connection apparatus;
receiving a new thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus; and
refreshing the second display unit to display the cursor at a new location of a new thumbnail picture associated with the new thumbnail picture URL received from the first viewing apparatus.

29. The viewing method of claim 28, wherein, when the first viewing apparatus enlarges a thumbnail picture on a first display unit and transmits a picture URL to a second viewing apparatus, the second viewing apparatus
receives the picture URL from the first viewing apparatus;
acquires a picture associated with the picture URL from the data storage apparatus; and
displays the picture on the second display unit.

30. The viewing method of claim 28, further comprising receiving at least one of the picture, the picture URL, the thumbnail picture, and the thumbnail picture URL from the first viewing apparatus through the connection apparatus.

IX. Evidence Appendix to Appeal Brief Under Rule 41.37(c)(1)(ix)

Appellants do not rely upon evidence under 37 C.F.R. 1.130, 1.131, or 1.132, or any other evidence entered by the Examiner in the pending appeal.

X. Related Proceedings Appendix to Appeal Brief Under Rule 41.37(c)(1)(x)

None.